

**AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:**

Please amend the abstract as follows:

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A shelf base for a refrigerator, the base including a plate and an upper and a lower retaining rail, running along an upper and a lower side of the plate. The ~~[[an]]~~ upper and lower retaining rails ~~[[for]]~~ mounting a support to house chilled goods. The retaining rails, connected in a unit, can be shifted along the transverse direction of the plate.